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ALLAN JACKSON: "The man who used to head the Central Intelligence Agency, Allen Dulles, has defended the CIA practice of financing some American student groups."

DULLES: "It seemed likely at that time that if nothing was done that the Communists would take over the international student movement. And that would have been very serious. I think, therefore, one was justified in taking the risk doing what was done, helping students to go to these meetings and express their views there. There's very much too much talk about that they were used as spies. They weren't used as spies, they may have brought certain information back about what the Communists were trying to do with the student movement, things of that kind. If you stop all this and think of all the consequences of all the actions you take, you'd do nothing. This wasn't a world in which one could do nothing. It was a world, in those days, from '48 on, when you had to do something and do it rapidly."

JACKSON: "Allen Dulles in a special CBS News interview with correspondent George Herman."